## **County of Santa Clara**

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## ELECTION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IN SAN JOSE FOR JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup> PRIMARY

The Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters is looking for dedicated, enthusiastic volunteers to work at the polls in the June 6<sup>th</sup> Gubernatorial Primary Election. Volunteer Election Officers are particularly needed to work in the East San Jose, Evergreen, Alum Rock, Berryessa, Silver Creek and South San Jose areas.

Socorro McCord is a long-time volunteer who serves at the polls in East San Jose. McCord says, "I was motivated to become an Election Officer because it is a way to help empower my community."

Becoming an Election Officer is a great way for voters to serve their communities and get involved in the democratic process. Election Officers will earn a stipend of \$85 or more for volunteering.

Approximately 3,300 volunteers will be needed to staff 805 polling precincts across the county on Election Day. Election Officers are responsible for setting up the polling place, processing voters and providing assistance as requested. In addition to serving a full day at the polls (usually 6:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.), they must also attend a three-hour training class.

A lot is expected of Election Officers, but for most the experience is worth it.

McCord says, "One thing that is an exciting thing for me is that I do a lot of volunteer work on the East Side assisting with voter registration. Then, on Election Day, I see these people that we registered actually turn up at the polls to vote. For me, this is a precious gift."

Anyone who is registered to vote in the state of California can become an Election Officer. To sign-up, call (408) 299-POLL [7655]

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